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Docket No.: 0994-0232P

## MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a  $\boxtimes$  continuation  $\square$  divisional  $\square$  continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 08/947,470 filed on October 9, 1997, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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for

INPUT DEVICE FOR INJECTION MOLDING MACHINE

1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).

filed on



9b.

The filing fee has been calculated as follows:  $\boxtimes$ 

			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
	BASIC FEE		\$770.00	\$385.00
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	7-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1-3 =	0	x 86 = \$0.00	x 43 = \$0.00
☐ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$290.00	+ \$145.00
		TOTAL	\$770.00	\$0.00

3.	$\boxtimes$	A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4.		Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5.	$\boxtimes$	Enclosed is/are $\underline{\text{four}}$ ( $\underline{4}$ ) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
6a.		A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 08/947,470 on See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
6b.		The current application qualifies for small entity status.
7.	$\boxtimes$	The prior application is assigned to <u>Nissei Plastic</u> Industrial Co., Ltd.
8.		A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
9a.		Priority of Application No(s). <u>8-268606</u> filed in <u>Japan</u> on <u>October 9, 1996</u> is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on <u>October 9, 1997</u> .

Priority of International Appln. \_\_\_\_ filed or under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and

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			filed in on under 35 r § 119 are hereby reclaimed.		
10.	$\boxtimes$	An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.			
11.	$\boxtimes$	Address all future communications to:			
	·	BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, VA 22040-0747 (703) 205-8000			
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12.		An extension of time for() month(s) until has been submitted in parent Application No. 08/947,470 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.			
13.		Also enclosed herewith is the following:			
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## LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, D.C. 20231 October 9, 1997 0994-0175P

Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 USC 119 and 37 CFR 1.55(a), the applicant hereby claims the right of priority based on the following application(s):

Country

Application No.

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JAPAN

8-268606

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A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto.

Please charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 - 1.21 (h) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

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